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SUBJECT: CSCE: FRANCO-GERMAN SUMMIT DISCUSSION

BEGIN SUMMARY: AT THE FRANCO-GERMAN SUMMIT MEETING HELD
IN BONN ON JULY 8-9, BOTH SIDES AGREED ON THE IMPORTANCE
OF THE EC-9 AND NATO NATIONS DEFINING WITH PRECISION THE
RESULTS DESIRED FOR CSCE. DEPENDING UPON THE RESULTS
OF THE SECOND PHASE, A JUDGMENT COULD THEN BE MADE
REGARDING THE LEVEL OF THE THIRD PHASE WHICH WOULD BE
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HELD IN 1974. NO NEED IS FORESEEN FOR A FORMAL ADJOURN-

MENT OF THE CONFERENCE THIS SUMMER, WITH THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE THE FOCAL POINT FOR THE ONGOING WORK. ON CBM'S, THE FRENCH AND GERMANS AGREED UPON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR MILITARY MANEUVERS TO ALL PARTICIPATING STATES. END SUMMARY

1. FRG FONOFF POLITICAL DIRECTOR VAN WELL BRIEFED MINISTER CASH, IN THE AMBASSADOR'S ABSENCE, ON JULY 9 RE THE VARIOUS SUBJECTS DISCUSSED DURING THE FRANCO-GERMAN SUMMIT. OTHER TOPICS REPORTED IN SEPTELS.

2. WITH REGARD TO CSCE, VAN WELL SAID THAT THE EC-9 AND NATO NATIONS WOULD NOW TRY TO IDENTIFY WITH PRECISION THOSE RESULTS DESIRED WHICH WOULD, IN EFFECT, MAKE CSCE A "SUCCESS." THE FRENCH AGREED THAT THE EC-9 WOULD BEGIN DISCUSSIONS THIS WEEK TO FLUSH OUT THOSE ONE OR TWO ITEMS OF CRITICAL IMPORTANCE TO EACH MEMBER COUNTRY. FOR EXAMPLE, WHILE THE FRG HAS A VITAL INTEREST IN THE PEACEFUL CHANGE OF FRONTIERS ISSUE AND FAMILY REUNIFICATION, THE FRENCH ARE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT CULTURAL EXCHANGES AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF READING ROOMS IN EASTERN COUNTRIES. MEETINGS WILL BEGIN TODAY IN GENEVA, WITH THE RESPECTIVE DELEGATIONS REPORTING THEIR FINDINGS TO THE CAPITALS. ONCE THE EC-9 NATIONS HAVE IDENTIFIED THEIR KEY CONCERNS, A MEETING WILL BE HELD AT NATO HEADQUARTERS IN BRUSSELS, WITH JULY 17 THE TARGET DATE. AT THAT TIME A COMPLETE LIST--NUMBERING PERHAPS EIGHT TO TEN ITEMS--WILL BE PREPARED IN VERY PRECISE TERMS SO THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IS STILL REQUIRED IN ORDER TO LABEL THE CONFERENCE A SUCCESS.

3. LEVEL OF THIRD PHASE. VAN WELL REPORTED THAT THE FRENCH HAVE ADOPTED A PRAGMATIC ATTITUDE TOWARD THE LEVEL OF THE THIRD PHASE OF THE CONFERENCE. SAUVAGNARGUES SAID THAT IF PHASE TWO RESULTS ARE "SATISFACTORY," THEN THERE WILL BE NO PROBLEM ABOUT THE LEVEL OF THE

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THIRD PHASE. HOWEVER, BEFORE A DECISION ABOUT THE LEVEL CAN BE TAKEN, THE ACTUAL RESULTS OF PHASE TWO MUST BE ANALYZED. AS FOR THE TIMING OF PHASE THREE, THE FRENCH AND GERMANS FORESEE IT TAKING PLACE BY THE END OF 1974.

4. VAN WELL SAID THE PRINCIPAL TASK NOW IS TO FINISH THE FIRST READING OF THE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS WHICH HAVE BEEN TABLED AT GENEVA BY THE END OF JULY. HE SAID IT WOULD NOT DO TO SHUNT ASIDE DOCUMENTS PROPOSED BY VARIOUS COUNTRIES, BUT RATHER THAT ALL MUST RECEIVE A CONFIDENTIAL

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FAIR AND EQUITABLE HEARING. VAN WELL DOES NOT FORESEE THE CONFERENCE FORMALLY ADJOURNING THIS SUMMER. RATHER, THE CONFERENCE WILL REMAIN IN SESSION THROUGH THE CONTINUED ACTIVITY OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE. UPON RECEIPT OF THE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS, THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE WOULD THEN DISCUSS HOW TO PROCEED FURTHER AND HOW TO ORGANIZE THE WORK. PRESUMABLY, THIS WOULD ALSO INVOLVE INCREASED BILATERAL DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY TO COMPLEMENT THE ONGOING WORK IN GENEVA.

5. CBM'S. IN DISCUSSIONS ON THIS TOPIC, BOTH THE FRENCH AND GERMANS AGREED THAT THE WESTERN SIDE SHOULD REMAIN FIRM ON THE DISTANCE (500 KILOMETERS) FROM THE WESTERN BORDER OF THE SOVIET UNION WITHIN WHICH PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR MILITARY MANEUVERS IS REQUIRED. EVEN MORE IMPORTANT FROM THE FRANCO-GERMAN VIEWPOINT, THE WEST MUST INSIST UPON NOTIFICATION OF MANEUVERS BEING SENT TO ALL REPEAT ALL STATES PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE AND NOT JUST TO A NEIGHBORING STATE OR STATES. FOR EXAMPLE, IT WILL NOT BE SATISFACTORY FOR THE SOVIET UNION TO NOTIFY ONLY POLAND WITH REGARD TO MANEUVERS WHICH IT PLANS TO HOLD.
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